

## REPUBLICANS IN DOUBT

Fear That the Administration Will Be Repudiated.

A Wall Street McKinley Journal Says That the Corporations Have Not Come to the Front as Generously as They Did in 1896—Admits That Bryan May Carry New York.

"One of the signs of the times," said a politician of no prominence at Democratic headquarters today, "is the feeling of doubt regarding the result of the approaching election which has come over the shrewd of the manipulators in stocks. It was not many weeks ago that these men saw no cloud in the Republican future. Today they see many indications which they declare to be 'ominous.' Here is what one of the leading Wall Street journals has to say on the subject:

While we agree that the election of Mr. McKinley is a probability, we do not concede its certainty by any means. We have information from the best source that the Republican National Committee has not yet made up its mind that the success of the sound money cause is assured. It is generally conceded among the Republicans that, leaving the very doubtful States out of the question and admitting that the sound money cause has not made the friends in the West that have been generally claimed for it, and that some losses may be found in the Middle States, the whole matter narrows down to the ability of the party of New York to carry New York State. The National Committee believe that New York State will be carried, but they concede that the plurality will be reduced. They rely upon the effectiveness of serious disaffections from Tammany as the result of the wholesale plundering of the people by their various departments and by the police, and to the general maladministration of the city departments under Crokerism. Bryan, it is believed, will make a better race in some of the city districts than he did in 1896. The corporations have not come to the front as generously as they did that year, nor has the influence of their officers been brought to bear upon the employees in the same manner that it was four years ago.

The campaign of education, to sum it all up, has not been as thorough as it was when the sound money cause was before the people the first time, and the people seem to be mystified as to whether that is actually the issue on trial or not. Prodigious work will be done in New York State and the city of New York by the Business Men's Clubs between now and November 6. It may be candidly said that the issue, to a great extent, of the whole campaign depends upon the effectiveness of the crusade to be made here in behalf of the honest dollar.

It is said at Democratic headquarters that the trusts and big business actually lays the golden egg, and the steel industry is cited as an example. Trade in this line is said to be becoming stagnant despite the fact that the trust has sought to stimulate the demand for steel rails by recently reducing the price from \$35 to \$26 a ton. It is said that the campaign of deception which the trusts have been practicing for several years is still being continued. Extensive enquiries have been made during the last week as to whether the reduction in price placed with a responsive movement on the part of the consumers, and it is said that no such movement is apparent. Most of the railroad presidents and general managers take the ground that at the present prevailing prices for steel billets the price of steel rails is as yet wholly out of proportion. The press bureau of the steel companies have been sending out statements to the effect that a number of the large companies have actually placed orders at \$26 a ton for the rails needed for the coming year. Each specific case mentioned has been investigated. As the result, it has been found that none of the cases mentioned have the contracts actually been let, nor have the officials given the steel companies any intimation as to their intentions in the matter of closing contracts at the present schedule rates.

The understanding at Democratic headquarters is that the platform and declaration of principles of the Irish-American Union, to which wide publicity is being given, will do much good for the Democratic electoral ticket. Irish-Americans throughout the country are attacking the Administration of Mr. McKinley for subverting the doctrine of the Declaration of Independence by its policy in the Philippines; by introducing the doctrine that the Constitution does not follow the flag; for reviving the Clayton-Bulwer treaty, and abandoning the Monroe Doctrine; for trucking to England by repeatedly blocking the passage through Congress of a declaration of sympathy for the Boer Republics, and for the surrender of 1,500 square miles of auriferous territory to England.

It is prophesied at Democratic headquarters that the Irish-American vote will be cast against the Republican national ticket.

## "HECHTS' GREATER STORES,"

513-515 Seventh Street.

## Men's winter suits up to \$15 for \$8.75

We start the winter suit selling tomorrow by putting on sale a purchase of men's suits from one of the foremost makers of Baltimore, whose name we refrain from mentioning, at almost half the regular prices.



The five hundred suits secured so greatly under price by one of the greatest streaks of luck in five styles of fancy chevrons—and every garment was made for this season's selling and in the very newest styles—with single and double breasted vests—with durable linings—and each coat has the broad "military back"—which is so fashionable.

The identical suits are being sold for \$15 about town. Hence when offered at \$8.75 at this time are most extraordinary bargains. We'll "charge" them, too, if you care to have us, for which accommodation you have nothing to pay, and you can arrange to pay the bill in convenient sums at convenient intervals.

## Men's \$3 pants for \$2.00.

A lot of men's new heavyweight pants in eight styles of cassimeres, embracing stripes and mixtures of the most desirable sort—and in all sizes—are to go on sale tomorrow at \$2.00. All are \$3 pants.

## \$2 for men's \$3.50 vests.

Twelve styles of men's fancy silk vests go on sale tomorrow at \$2, which have every right to be \$3.50. Newest patterns—desirable in every way and offered at \$1.50 less than their worth because we CAN do it.

## HECHT AND COMPANY,

513-515 Seventh Street.

## MEETING OF DEMOCRATS

Orators Discuss the Issues of the Presidential Campaign.

Allan D. Albert, Jr., speaks on "The Duty in the Coming Election of the Men Who Deserted Their Party Standard Four Years Ago—Expediency of the Republican Policy."

The regular weekly meeting of the Maryland Democratic Club was held at Harper's Hall last night. B. Harris Camaller, vice president of the club and candidate for Congress from the Fifth Maryland district, presided. The principal speaker was Allan D. Albert, Jr., who spoke on the duty of Gold Democrats in this campaign. The address treated the subject from three points of view—the expediency of Republican plans as indicated in Mr. McKinley's letter of acceptance; the principles on which they are based, and the possible evils to result from Democratic victory. After a brief outline of the events which led to American occupation of the Philippines, the speaker quoted the following parallel from one of the men who framed the Paris Treaty: "The situation is curiously like that of England in Egypt," says Mr. Whitelaw Reid. "She intervened, too, under false pretenses, it must be admitted, and for a cause rather more commercial than humanitarian. But when some thought her work was ended and that it was time for her to go, Lord Granville, on behalf of Mr. Gladstone's government, addressed the other great European powers in a note on the outcome of which Congress might have reflected with great profit before framing its resolutions. Although for the present, the British force remains in Egypt for the preservation of public tranquility, Her Majesty's Government is desirous of withdrawing it as soon as the state of the country and the organization of proper means for the maintenance of the Khedive's authority will admit of it." Fourteen years have passed

since these words "for the present" were written, but Lord Kitchener has just completed the work of maintaining order in southern Egypt, and the army necessary for maintaining it is likely to be needed there for years to come. If this is an object lesson, reflect that Egypt has about the same population as the Philippines, is a compact territory, half uninhabited, and that her people met the British in open warfare largely in open country.

"Three centuries of warfare against the natives in Luzon have established the impossibility of hunting them down. All sorts of horns of dilemma and all sorts of agents as potent in assisting the invaders as an army with the finest latter-day ordinance. Spain abandoned, scores of years back, all hope of reducing the island to a province, to quote the Schurman Commission premises. If England, with a regular standing force many times greater than our extra army of today, could not subdue less powerful opposition in Egypt in fourteen years, what can we hope to do in the Philippines? Suppose the nation approves the Republican scheme, does anyone anticipate the people of the United States will continue to elect pro-war administrations for fourteen years?"

"But grant the improbable—presuppose the unquestioning support of a peace-loving people in a war already distasteful, and a final victory over the Philippines—will the President's scheme of administration in Luzon prove stable? The letter of acceptance states the rebellion is confined to a single one out of eighty tribes. If one-eighth of the islanders can today create such great tumult what are we to do when, as with the American Indian, we attempt to remove the whole population into American customs and mores? Holland is successful in governing Java because she put there a dozen things to which the numerous American reform associations could never consent. Concealment of inculcating our ideas of the marriage relation into the minds of half-savages in Oceania, and once established, not a small minority, would oppose us then, but the whole people. One of the most thoroughly informed and highly trusted correspondents in Washington telegraphed his paper recently: 'There is no army officer whose opinion is of the least value. He is the first time in private opinion that a permanent force of 75,000 to 100,000 men will be required to push the policy of "benevolent assimilation" in the Philippines.'

"It would seem as though the eyes of all America were blinded with the dust of trade and its ears deafened with the grind of machinery when an appeal is made to any existing scheme of finance is sufficient argument to uphold any evil policy whatever, any violent departure from national principle. Are municipalities to regard legislation as more important than all else, any party representing so-called 'sound money' as so identified with American honor, that it can violate the expressed plea of the nation, defy all its other interests, and still exact our support under all circumstances? If a majority of the citizens take that stand now it is the first time in our history. Surely the men who for principle bore unmerited the stigma of 'copperheads' in the North or yielded their all in the South will not join their ranks."

## CAME FROM EGYPT FOR A BRIDE.

British Officer From Cairo Weds a Pennsylvania Girl.

NEWTOWN, Pa., Oct. 5.—Miss Mary Barnsley Pickering, of this place yesterday became the bride of Major Charles Stuart Spang, who had come from Egypt to wed her. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Henry V. Pickering, and the groom is medical director of railways in the English-Egyptian service, stationed at Cairo.

The couple met in Paris, and there became engaged. Several of the groom's friends accompanied him to this country from England and Egypt.

The wedding took place at high noon in St. Luke's Episcopal Church, the rector, Rev. Edward Ritchie, officiating. The bride was given away by her brother, Russell Pickering. The best man was J. Herman Barnsley, of Newtown, and the chief of honor was William H. Chambers. The ushers were John B. Chambers and Frederick W. Byre. The bride was gowned in white satin, en train, and trimmed with point lace.

After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, and then the couple left on an extended tour through the United States. Dr. Agnew's return to Newtown for a brief stay before going to Cairo.

Eyes and Nose Run Water.—C. G. Archer, of Brewer, Maine, says: "I have had Catarrh for several years. Water would run from my eyes and nose for days at a time. About four months ago I was induced to try Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, and since using the wonderful remedy I have not had an attack. I would not be without it." It relieves in two minutes. Sold by Edmunds & Williams, Third Street and Pennsylvania Avenue—8.

## A Trial Will Be Convincing.

Action speak louder than words. One trial of Hecht's best will tell you more of their superiority than all we can write. Maerzen and Senate are the prize medal beers of the Paris Exposition. The United States Bottling Co., for a case of Hecht's and find out why these beers were awarded the prize for purity and excellence.

## Free Delivery of Purchases

amounting to \$5 or over to within a radius of 100 miles from this city. A most thoroughly equipped mail order department to attend to your wants in this way.

Open Saturday until 9.

"Hechts' Greater Stores,"

513-515 Seventh Street.

Candy dept. now open.

## This has been a great week for Hechts,

and it will climax tomorrow in a burst of special offerings of the greatest consequence. The special offerings are in nearly every department, but in none are they more marked than in the men's and ladies' furnishings, ladies' suits, skirts, and the like.

And any one of these special offerings may be bought on our system of "charging;" you may go through the store and pick out just what you please, and as much as you please, and arrange to pay the bill in convenient sums and at convenient intervals. Not a penny is asked you for this privilege—it is an accommodation which is free.

## Sale of Men's Furnishings.

Trade increases in this department at a break-neck speed! Double the space is now given it as formerly. The special lots offered tomorrow are all great bargains and you should take advantage of them, by all means.

## 59c for underwear

—for men—winter weight—fleece lined—made of Egyptian cotton—silk-bound necks—drawers to match—sizes 34 to 44—Jaeger and silver grey. Instead of \$1—and they are cut only as a bargain offering for tomorrow.

## 39c for men's shirts

Men's white unadorned shirts—made of Homestead Mills muslin, with felled seams; patent collar-button shields and nightshirt which is sold by every furnishings store in town at 75c—and our price tomorrow—39c—is a special bargain.

## 39c for nightshirts

—of muslin and of domest flannel—some plain and some fancy trimmed—52 inches long and made with felled seams. A nightshirt which is sold by every furnishings store in town at 75c—and our price tomorrow—39c—is only for the day.

## These values are not duplicated

by any other store in this city selling boys' clothing. By immense buying this store, in connection with the five other links in the great Hecht chain, are able to sell boys' clothing for less than any other store in this or any other city.

Lot of boys' double-breasted suits—in sizes from 7 to 16 years—made of stanch wool chevrons and sewed strongly and finished thoroughly; the identical suit which sells for \$2.50 about town, here tomorrow at \$1.69

Lot of finer All-Wool Worsted and Cassimere Suits for Boys in double-breasted styles in sizes 7 to 16 years, and in refer and vest effects in sizes 3 to 8 years; suits which are not to be had elsewhere for less than \$5, and for which many clothiers ask \$6; to be offered tomorrow at \$3.98

Lot of boys' blue and black and mixed chevrons suits; in double-breasted styles, from 7 to 16 years, and in vest and refer styles from 3 to 8 years; the very best suit you ever have seen selling at \$4.00; to be offered today at \$2.98

Lot of boys' covert cloth coats, with velvet collars; with best lining; and most thoroughly finished, such as you'll find selling at \$5 elsewhere, to go for \$3.98

## 3 lots youths' suits.

We are decidedly stronger both in the variety of stock and the quantity of it than any other store in this city. We are careful what we buy, too—hence you'll find here for the large boys who wear long pants and for men who wear small sizes, those patterns which you see in the men's suits—and those qualities—made up by custom tailors.

These are special values, but even at regular prices, our clothing is marked much less than others'.

Youths' long pants suits of all-wool chevrons; such as \$5.00 usually—for \$5.00	Youths' finest worsted and cassimere suits in long pants style; such as sell at \$10—here tomorrow—\$7.50	Youths' long pants suits of imported blue serge, fine cassimere, and basket-weave, as well as check-wool—\$13 values—\$10.00
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## Hechts' shoe leaders.

The great success of the Shoe Department is due the fact that we sell no unworthy shoes—that we guarantee every pair and take back any that do not wear as we say. To one other cause we attribute much of our success—that we mark our shoes at a smaller profit and by so doing, we quote lower prices for equal grades than any shoe store in town.

## Ladies' shoes at \$2.50.

Ten different styles. Choice of heavy extension soles or light soles—kid tips or patent leather tips—lace or button. The kid in these shoes was tested before we made them up. The making of them was carefully looked after. You cannot possibly equal these shoes for less than \$3.

## Ladies' shoes at \$3.50.

That the same grade of shoes for ladies we sell at \$3.50 are sold in other shoe stores for \$5. They are the finest shoe made—the very acme of the shoe-maker's art. Sixteen different styles from which to choose—light hand-turned soles or heavy welted soles and you may have them with the cork soles with leather lining, which are warranted to keep out the cold and dampness, every size from 1 to 8 and all widths from A to E.

## Men's shoes at \$3.50.

You see these same grades selling elsewhere at \$5. They are all hand-sewed shoes—the most stylish lasts—of box calf, velour calf, Russia calf, enamel calf, and patent leather calf; some are calf-lined, and others are lined with drill, and you have the choice of these with two or three soles.

Child's 19c hose, 11c; 3 pairs 30c.

One thousand pairs exactly of children's fast black ribbed hose will be put on sale tomorrow. These are the standard 19c quality—as staple as wheat at that price; hence when we offer them at 11c pair and offer to give you three pairs for 30c, we do a most unusual thing.

Ladies' \$1 and \$1.25 gloves, 47c.

235 pairs of the real kid gloves—all samples of a leading glove maker—will be ready for selling tomorrow and you get them at 47c pair. Are in every stylish shade and have the new stitching on backs. It will pay you to buy two pairs of these gloves, being \$1 and \$1.25 gloves offered at 47c pair.

## Corset sale—75c.

—tomorrow for such corsets of such well-known makes as "W. B.," "R. & G.," "C. B.," and "Globe"—long, short, and medium lengths; in grey, black, and white; straight front, bias gore, and short hip.

## Infants' coats, \$1.98.

100 of the daintiest little white and colored all-wool Eiderdown coats for little tots from 1 to 3 years of age; trimmed with fur—coats which are worth nearly double this price.

\$1.50 umbrellas, \$1.05.

2,000 men's and ladies' gloria silk umbrellas to go on sale tomorrow at \$1.05 each, none of which are worth less than \$1.50. Made on Paragon frames and have steel rods and in the greatest variety of handles. Choice for \$1.05.

Sale of handkerchiefs At 5c.

15,000 ladies', men's, and children's handkerchiefs were put on sale last Monday, the first day of the Opening, and there are only enough left for selling tomorrow. All of them are 10c handkerchiefs—hence at 5c they are very cheap.

## Portieres, \$1.59.

150 pairs of heavy tapestry portieres, in all colors and in new patterns; which sell at \$2.25, will be put on sale tomorrow at the extremely low price of \$1.59

## Blankets, 49c.

200 pairs of heavy 10-quarter double blankets, in tan and grey, with handsome borders and worth 75c pair, 49c will be put on sale tomorrow at.

## 25c extracts, 9c bottle.

We have just received 200 dozen bottles of exquisite extract perfume, put in imitation cut-glass bottles, with glass stoppers, in twenty odors. The usual price of this is 25c; we can sell it for 9c bottle.

## 25c music, 16c.

The music for which music stores get 25c, embracing all the newest publications, will be sold tomorrow for 16c a copy, and a young lady will "try" any you wish played, on the piano.

## Thanks! Thanks! Thanks, ladies.



We thank you one and all for your kind expressions about the millinery and the millinery store. We are pleased because you are pleased! The display is enormous, but it is no larger than we need, and it has kept the workrooms as busy as a bee-hive to keep the assortment intact—adding hundreds to the showing as fast as hundreds were sold. You cannot help but notice the individuality of every hat—the very lowest-priced having character—and besides, what counts most, a thoroughness of finish and workmanship which keeps it beautiful to the end. We use only the finest materials, the finest of velvets, the finest of plumes, birds, and feathers, and nowhere in this city can our trimmed hats be duplicated at the prices we ask.

Particular attention is directed to the variety of hats shown at

## Five ninety-eight

of silk velvet, in the latest shapes, trimmed with fancy feathers, pompons, plumes, and long buckles, which we can truthfully claim are equal to the values sold elsewhere at \$7.98.

\$3.98 tomorrow for a special lot of ladies', misses', and children's trimmed hats and bonnets, which we have prepared for the occasion; trimmed with velvet, ribbon, ostrich tips, wings, aigrettes, etc., which are worth fully \$6.98.

79c tomorrow for a special lot of ladies' and misses' trimmed sailors, in black, grey, and castor, which are the same as are selling at a dollar elsewhere.

69c tomorrow for misses' and children's felt hats, in all colors, as well as black; which are being sold in other stores for as much as \$9c.

## Greatest suit values certainly here!

There is no question about it, and you can satisfy yourself if you're in doubt by looking about. Not only the greatest values, but the greatest variety and all of them the production of the foremost makers of ladies' suits in America. Last season we eclipsed all previous suit-selling records, and we are certain that we shall beat even that selling the coming season.

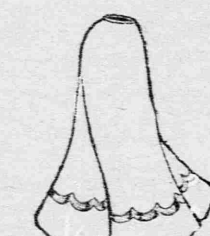
\$7.50 instead of \$12 for ladies' suits of those very fashionable chevrons; with silk-lined jackets, in variety of styles; with skirts having the new inverted pleat backs and the full flare bottoms which are so desirably stylish; hundreds of these suits in all sizes, from which we can guarantee as perfect a fit as the best tailor can give you.

## \$12.50 instead of \$18 for ladies' suits

of rough wide-lapel chevrons, of coverts, of cheviot serge, of broad cloth, of Venetian cloth, of public chevrons, and of home spun in all colors, in all styles of jackets, such as blouse, double-breasted Eton, light-fitting, etc.—many of them silk-lined, with fashionable 7-gore skirts, with inverted pleat back and full flare bottoms, with best linings, some plain and some of them trimmed with satin and braid; which we defy any other store in town to duplicate for less than \$18.

## Saving a fourth on a skirt.

In every instance we can guarantee you a saving of at least one-fourth the money you intend to pay for a skirt. We can do this easily, because we make up in our own workrooms every skirt we sell and guarantee the most perfect fitting garments. Little need to tell you that we make the saving because we have no profit to pay a maker.



Ladies' fashionable cheviot serge skirts—full width—full gore—full flare bottoms—percale lined, and trimmed with three rows of satin—a \$4.98 value for \$2.98

Ladies' rainy-day skirts made of Oxford cloth—wide—full gore—full flare bottoms and with inverted pleat backs—which sell elsewhere at \$4.50—for \$2.98

French flannel waists, \$2.98.

750 ladies' French flannel waists in black and colored, both plain and embroidered, and about 25 handsome white flannel waists most tastefully embroidered and dressy enough for theatre wear; worth from \$4 to \$6; to go tomorrow at \$2.98.

Underskirts, worth \$4, \$1.98.

A great underskirt treat is in store for you tomorrow when we put on sale this lot of mercerized underskirts in black and colors, which are equal in appearance to any silk skirt you can buy. All these have pleated flounces; are trimmed with narrow ruffles and deep corded flounces, and are worth up to \$4

## Candy special!

12½¢ a pound tomorrow as an introductory special in our Candy Department, for marshmallows, vanilla flavor, and the following candies, all of which are regular 19c sort:

Peppermint Pastilles.	Royal Gum Drops.
Wintergreen Pastilles.	Jelly Cubes.
Chocolate Bonbons.	Chocolate Date Bonbons.
Cream Dates.	Cream Croquettes.
Cocoa Bonbons.	Belmont Bonbons.
Cream Wafers.	Chocolate Globe all flavors.
Cairo Caramels.	Cream Drops.

Laces and lace all-overs—Bargains.

5½ yard tomorrow for 1,000 yards of Point d'Esprit, Valenciennes, and fancy cotton and linen wash laces, with insertings to match—none of which are worth less than 15c yard.

63c a yard tomorrow for a day for Point d'Esprit, Valenciennes, in the most exquisite patterns imaginable.

12½¢ a yard tomorrow as a special bargain for Point de Venise insertings and ribbon heading which are so very fashionable just now.

\$1.98 tomorrow for one lot of 27-inch black spangled all-over laces, in very effective patterns on all-silk Brussels net.

## Linen sale.

Specially reduced prices in linens tomorrow, made so for a better and bigger business—no other reason, for the linens offered are the best.

37-8c each for honey-comb unbleached towels.

5c for all linen red border napkins.

27-8c for extra heavy twilled bleached crash.

22c for silver bleached table linen; worth 25c.

23c yard instead of 30c, for turkey red table linen; 60 inches wide and fast colors.

38c yard instead of 50c for silver bleached table linen; full two yards wide and extra heavy.

40c yard for full bleached table damask; 2 yards wide and in excellent designs.

47-8c yard for bleached Border crash; 3c yard usually.

78c yard for satin damask; two yards wide; extra fine imported quality which sells usually at \$1.

98c dozen for large size full bleached warranted all linen dinner napkins; the usual \$1.89 sort.

## Lace curtains, 98c.

200 pairs of handsome Nottingham lace curtains, in very effective patterns; the regular values which sell for \$1.50 a pair; tomorrow for \$98c

## A Tonic and Nerve Food.

## Horsford's Acid Phosphate

Nourishes and invigorates the tired brain and body; gives rest, strength and quiet sleep.

An \$18.00 Suit To Order - - - \$10.60

Starting the specials again that proved so monstrously popular with us last season. New tailoring this—cutting cost right down to the bottom figure—giving you tailoring of a class that must command the attention of good dressers.

This week's special—A Black Thibet Suit of Clothes, that can't be made by any other house in Washington for less than \$18.00—built by us in a style that must meet your approval (or you don't take the suit), for \$10.60

A \$15.00 Suit To Order for - \$10.25

Another leader to give variety to the sale. A line of Fancy Cheviot Suitings that have always borne the \$15 mark to be made up for \$10.25

M. P. FITZSIMMONS & CO., Tailors, 910 F Street. Open Evenings Until 7 o'Clock.